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1. WE HAD DRAFTED OUR REACTIONS TO REF A WHEN REF C WAS
RECEIVED AND WE DECIDED OUR THOUGHTS MIGHT BE REDUNDANT
AND DID NOT SEND THE CABLE. IN THE LIGHT OF REF D, HOWEVER,
WE QUOTE OUR JAN 25 DRAFT AS STILL BEING GERMANE.

2. "WE CONCUR WITH THE VIEW THAT THE FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR
A WORLD ENERGY CONFERENCE MAY BE A SPOILING ACTION AND
THAT IT IS CERTAINLY HARMFUL TO OUR STAGE-BY-STAGE APPROACH
TO SOLVING ENERGY PROBLEMS. MOREOVER, WE DO NOT DISAGREE
WITH THE THRUSE OF THE SUGGESTION MADE IN PARA 7 OF REFTTEL A
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THAT USUN CONCERT WITH OTHER MISSIONS IN DEALING WITH

THE FRENCH PROPOSAL. IN DOING SO, HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE THAT RATHER THAN LEADING AN EFFORT TO "BLOCK" THE FRENCH, THE US WOULD BE BETTER ADVISED TO MANEUVER TO DELAY ANY EVENTUAL ACTION IN UN ORGANS IN LINE WITH THE APPROACH RECOMMENDED IN PARA 3 OF REFTEL B, I.E., THAT WE LEAVE OPEN THE POSSIBILITY OF FUTURE UN INVOLVEMENT IN SOME ASPECTS OF ENERGY. SUFFICIENT DELAY MIGHT CAUSE THE FRENCH PROPOSAL TO LOSE MUCH OF ITS STEAM OR PERMIT THE USE OF CERTAIN ELEMENTS OF IT AT SOME LATER STAGE OF OUR OWN APPROACH TO THE ENERGY PROBLEM. BY NOT APPEARING TO BE LEADING AN ALL-OUT OPPOSITION TO THE FRENCH, WE WOULD LIMIT FRENCH ABILITY TO POSE AS DEFENDERS OF THE LDCS AND THE ATTRACTION TO FRENCH PROPOSITION FOR UN ACTION IS LIKELY TO HAVE FOR MANY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

2. IN OUR TACTICAL MANEUVERS WITH THE ALGERIANS, WE SHOULD TRY NOT TO CREATE THE IMPRESSION THAT THE US IS ACTING IN A WAY THAT WEAKENS THE IMPORTANT BUT CURRENTLY STRAINED FRANCO-ALGERIAN RELATIONSHIP SINCE THE FRENCH REACTION TO SUCH A PERCEPTION WOULD MAKE OUR EFFORTS ON THE ENERGY FRONT MORE DIFFICULT."

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